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For: "FLEA VOLTAGE-GATED  
CHLORIDE CHANNEL NUCLEIC  
ACID MOLECULES AND USES  
THEREOF" (As Amended)

Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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This preliminary amendment and response to restriction is made in response to the Restriction Requirement mailed from the Patent and Trademark Office on October 16, 2003. No fees are believed to be due with this response; however, if any fees are due, please debit Deposit Account No. 081930.

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